



**Washington State  
Department of Transportation**

<b>Utility Construction Agreement</b> <b>Work by State - Actual Cost</b>		Organization and Address	
		Section / Location	
Agreement Number	State Route Number		
Control Section Number	Region		
Advance Payment Amount			

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, between the STATE OF WASHINGTON, Department of Transportation, acting by and through the Secretary of Transportation, by virtue of Title 47 RCW, (hereinafter the "STATE") and the above named organization, (hereinafter the "UTILITY").

WHEREAS, the STATE is planning the construction or improvement of the state route as shown above, and in connection therewith it is necessary to remove and/or relocate or construct certain UTILITY facilities as set forth in the attached plans, and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best public interest for the STATE to include the necessary items of work for relocating and/or constructing the UTILITY's facilities in the STATE's construction contract, and

WHEREAS, the STATE is obligated for the relocation of facilities where the UTILITY has a compensable interest in its facilities and right-of-way by virtue of being located on easements or UTILITY owned right-of-way, the UTILITY is obligated to reimburse the STATE for any relocation costs required for facilities not on easements or UTILITY owned right-of-way.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions, covenants, and performances contained herein, or attached and incorporated and made a part hereof, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

## I GENERAL

Federal-aid Policy Guide - 23 CFR 645A, Subpart A, and amendments thereto, determine and establish the definitions and applicable standards for this AGREEMENT and payment hereunder, and by this reference are incorporated hereby and made a part of this AGREEMENT for all intents and purposes as if fully set forth herein.

The STATE, as agent acting for and on behalf of the UTILITY, agrees to do the work in removing, relocating, and/or constructing the UTILITY facilities in accordance and described in the specifications marked Exhibit "A" and plans marked Exhibit "C" attached hereto, and by this reference made a part of this AGREEMENT.

Plans, specifications, and cost estimates shall be prepared by the STATE in accordance with the current State of Washington Standard Specifications for Road, Bridge, and Municipal Construction, and amendments thereto, and adopted design standards, unless otherwise noted. The STATE will incorporate the plans and specifications into the STATE's project and thereafter advertise the resulting project for bid and, assuming bids are received and a contract is awarded, administer the contract.

The UTILITY hereby approves the plans and specifications for the described work as shown on Exhibits "A" and "C".

The UTILITY may, if it desires, furnish an inspector on the project. Any costs for such inspection will be borne solely by the UTILITY. All contact between said inspector and the STATE's contractor shall be through the STATE's representatives.

The UTILITY agrees, upon satisfactory completion of the work involved, to deliver a letter of acceptance which shall include a release and waiver of all future claims or demands of any nature resulting from the performance of the work under this AGREEMENT.

If a letter of acceptance is not received by the STATE within 90 days following completion of the work, the work will be considered accepted by the UTILITY and shall release the STATE from all future claims and demands of any nature resulting from the performance of the work under this AGREEMENT. The UTILITY may withhold this acceptance of work by submitting written notification to the STATE within the 90 day period. This notification shall include the reasons for withholding the acceptance.

## II PAYMENT

An itemized estimate of cost for work to be performed by the STATE marked Exhibit "B" is attached hereto, and by this reference made a part of this AGREEMENT.

The UTILITY, in consideration of the faithful performance of the work to be done by the STATE, agrees to reimburse the STATE for the actual direct and related indirect cost of all work which is the financial responsibility of the UTILITY as defined in Exhibits "A" and "B".

Partial payments shall be made by the UTILITY, upon request of the STATE, to cover costs incurred. These payments are not to be more frequent than one (1) per month. It is agreed that any such partial payment will not constitute agreement as to the appropriateness of any item and that, at the time of final audit, all required adjustments will be made and reflected in a final payment. The UTILITY agrees to make payment for the work to be done by the STATE within thirty (30) days from receipt of billing from the STATE.

The UTILITY agrees to pay the STATE the "Advance Payment Amount" stated above within 20 days after the STATE submits its first partial payment request to the UTILITY. The advance payment represents approximately fifteen (15) percent of the estimate of cost for which the UTILITY is responsible, and covers costs incurred by the STATE in the initial stages of the project. The advance payment will be carried throughout the life of the project with final adjustment made in the final payment.

**III  
EXTRA WORK**

In the event unforeseen conditions require an increase in the UTILITY's cost obligation of 25 percent or more from that agreed to on Exhibit "B", this AGREEMENT will be modified by supplement AGREEMENT covering said increase.

In the event it is determined that any change from the description of work contained in this AGREEMENT is required, approval must be secured from the UTILITY prior to the beginning of such work. Where the change is substantial, written approval must be secured.

Reimbursement for increased work and/or a substantial change in the description of work shall be limited to costs covered by written modification, change order, or extra work order approved by the UTILITY.

**IV  
SALVAGE**

All materials removed by the STATE shall be reclaimed or disposed of by the STATE and shall become the property of the STATE. If the UTILITY desires to retain these materials, and the STATE concurs, the UTILITY shall reimburse the STATE an amount not less than that required by the Federal-aid Policy Guide - 23 CFR 645A, Subpart A.

**V  
BETTERMENTS**

If adjustment of the UTILITY's facilities does constitute a betterment as defined in Federal-aid Policy Guide - 23 CFR 645A, Subpart A, the betterment credit will be included in the estimate of cost.

**VI  
ACCRUED DEPRECIATION**

If adjustment of the UTILITY'S facilities does involve a credit due for the accrued depreciation of the facility being replaced, this value will be included in the estimate of cost.

**VII  
COMPLIANCE**

The UTILITY agrees to comply with all applicable requirements of the STATE which shall be in accordance with the Utilities Accommodation Policy, Chapter 468-34 WAC, and amendments thereto, and said policy and amendments are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this AGREEMENT for all intents and purposes as if fully set forth herein.

**VIII  
RIGHT OF ENTRY**

The UTILITY hereby grants and conveys to the STATE the right of entry upon all land which the UTILITY has interest, within the right-of-way of the highway, for the purpose of improving and/or constructing said highway.

As noted in Exhibit "A" the UTILITY will, after relocation and/or adjustment of their facilities, execute and deliver to the STATE a quit claim deed removing all UTILITY interests from within the STATE's right-of-way.

Upon completion of the work outlined herein, all future operation and maintenance of the UTILITY's facilities shall be at the sole cost of the UTILITY and without expense to the STATE.

**IX  
EASEMENT, PERMIT, OR FRANCHISE**

The STATE will issue the UTILITY an easement, permit, or franchise, as provided in Exhibit "A", for those UTILITY facilities which remain on or cross the STATE's right-of-way following completion of the work outlined herein.

**X  
LEGAL RELATIONS**

The UTILITY shall indemnify and hold the STATE and its agents, employees, and/or officers harmless from and shall process and defend at its own expense any and all claims, demands, suits at law or equity, actions, penalties, losses, damages, or costs, of whatsoever kind or nature, brought against the STATE arising out of, in connection with, or incident to the execution of this AGREEMENT and/or the UTILITY's performance or failure to perform any aspect of this AGREEMENT. Provided, however, that if such claims are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (a) the UTILITY and (b) the STATE, its agents, employees, and/or officers, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the negligence of the UTILITY, and Provided further, that nothing herein shall require the UTILITY to hold harmless or defend the STATE, its agents, employees, and/or officers from any claims arising from the sole negligence of the STATE, its agents, employees, and/or officers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this AGREEMENT as of the day and year first above written.

**UTILITY**

**STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

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